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### APPLICATION ELEMENTS (37 CFR 1.173)

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2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
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(37 C.F.R. § 1.175) (PTO/SB/51 or 52)
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11. ☐ Original U.S. Patent for surrender
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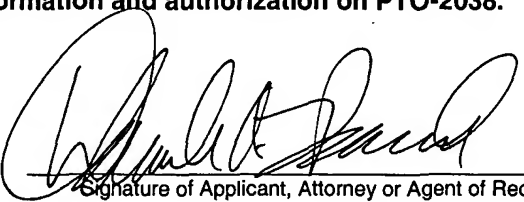
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<b>Claims as Amended - Part 2</b>								
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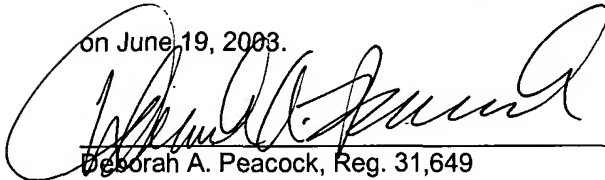
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

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Dear Sir:

This is a reissue application. Please amend Patent No. 6,247,484 according to the following instructions.

**Amendment to the Title** is reflected on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 16 of this paper.